Charging of fare by D.T.C. directly from the students on chartered buses

232. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the DTC had in the past decided to charge fare direct from the students of the schools which engage its buses on chartered basis;

(b) whether DTC has since started this practice to save the students from the high commission being enjoyed by the management of schools;

(c) how many buses are being hired by the Bidhan Chandra Vidyalaya, Moti Bagh, New Delhi at present and for which routes;

(d) whether the fare is being collected by the DTC directly from the students or from the school management; and

(e) what is the amount each student is being charged by the school and at what rate the same is being paid to the DTC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Consequent on judgement pronounced by the Court of Sub-judge Delhi on 11-10-1988, a new scheme of direct crediting of school bus fee by the students to the accounts of DTC has been implemented so that profiteering by the schools is avoided.

(c) Information is given in the statement annexed. (*See* below).

(d) and (e) Bus fee for the month of January and February, 1989 was collected through schools and from March, 1989 it is being collected by DTC directly from students. The bus-fees collected ranges from Rs. 35/- to Rs. 45, Rs. 55 and Rs. 60/- depending on distance. The fee for vacation period is not being collected from the students by the DTC, which amounts to a saving of 25 to 30% for the student.

Statement

(c) Two buses are being hired by the Bidhan Chandra Vidyalaya, Moti Bagh, New Delhi on the following routes:-

BC-1 — Kalkaji Depot, Gobind Puri, DDA Flat Kalkaji, Kaveri Apartment, Mandakani Enclave, C.R. Park Market No. 1 & 2, Greater Kailash-II Market No. 1, Savitri Cinema, Chirag Delhi Xing, Swami Nagar, Savitri Nagar, Malviya Nagar Market Bhavishya Nidhi Enclave, Panchsheel Club, I.I.T. Gate, Jia Sarai, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, V. V. Depot, Vasant Continental, Poorvi Marg Vasant Vihar, Swami Malai Temple, Sangam Cinema, Moti Bagh-I and School.

BC-2 — Okhla Depot-I, Capt. Gaur Marg, East of Kailash, Avanti Puri, Sapna Cinema, Garhi Village, Lajpat Nagar, Gupta Market, Mool Chand Hospital, Andrews Ganj, New Delhi South Extn., A.I.I.M.S., Safdarjang Hospital, Raj Nagar, Nauroji Nagar, Mohd. Pur, R. K. Puram Sec. 2 Sector-3, Sector-I, Hyatt Regency, Palika Lane, Multi Story Bldg. and to School.

Charging of building fund by Bidhan Chandra Vidyalaya, Moti Bagh

233. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the Management of the Bidhan Chandra Vidyalaya, Moti Bagh, New Delhi is compelling the parents of the old students to pay School Building Fund @ Rs. 200/- per student;

(b) whether the school charged @ Rs. 250/- per student last year in the name of School Development Fund at the time of admission;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the school is now charging fee @ Rs. 25/- per month in the name of donation/contribution which was Rs. 20/- per month till last year;

(d) whether school management has taken the permission of Delhi Administration for the collection of these funds;

(e) what is the amount collected till date on account of School Development Fund, School Building and donations etc.; and

(f) what remedial steps are contemplated in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) As per information gathered from the school management by Delhi Administration, voluntary donations towards building fund are collected by the Bidhan Chandra Vidyalaya, Moti Bagh, New Delhi.

(b) As per information furnished by the school, the management of the school had asked for voluntary contribution from students at the time of admission.

(c) The school has no scheme of raising any contribution from parents. However, Bengal Education Society, which manages the school, raises voluntary donations from public to meet their financial obligation.

(d) Does not arise since the contributions were purely voluntary.

(e) The amount in the Accounts of development fund/school building fund is Rs. 38,000/- approximately and in donations fund, it is Rs. 9,000/- approximately.

(f) Does not arise.

Suspension of Principals of Kendriya Vidyalayas

234. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Principals of some Kendriya Vidyalayas have recently been placed under suspension on various charges;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) whether any case has been entrusted to CBI for investigation?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) and (b) Shri A. P. Agarwal, Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya No. 1, Bhatinda and Shri S. P. Singh Chakor, Principal, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jorhat have recently been placed under suspension. Shri Agarwal was nabbed by the Police and was taken into custody where he remained for more than 48 hours. He was alleged to be accepting bribe from a Group 'D' employee of the school. Accordingly he was placed under suspension under Rule 10(2) of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 with effect from 24.10.88 (the day on which he was taken into Police Custody).

Shri S. P. Singh Chakor was placed under suspension w.e.f. 20.3.89 following report from the Assistant Commissioner (Silchar) regarding acts of insubordination and alleged financial irregularities. He has, however, obtained a stay order from the Court against his suspension.

(c) No, Sir.

Funds for the Metro Railway System in Madras

235. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Tamil Nadu have sent a memorandum to Union Government in February, 1989 requesting for more funds for the Metro Railway System at Madras;

(b) if so, the funds allocated for the current year by the Railways; and

(c) by when the project is likely to be completed?